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In re patent application of:

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Title: IN-SITU CHEMICAL COMPOSITION MONITOR ON WAFER DURING

PLASMA ETCHING FOR DEFECT CONTROL

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 25, 2003

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments below.

Claims 5-8, 20, and 21 have been amended on pages 3 and 4.

Replacement sheets for all figures (1-6) are attached.